

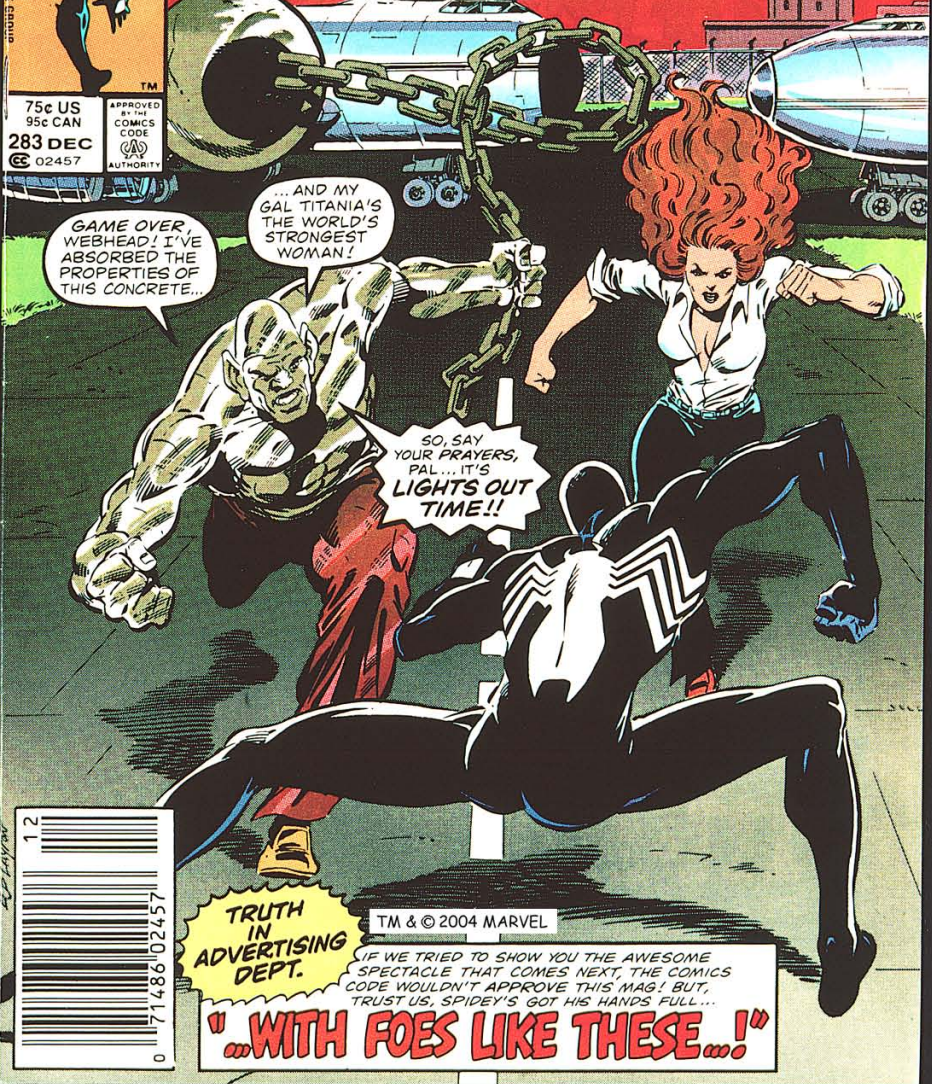
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GAME OVER, WEBHEAD! I'VE ABSORBED THE PROPERTIES OF THIS CONCRETE...

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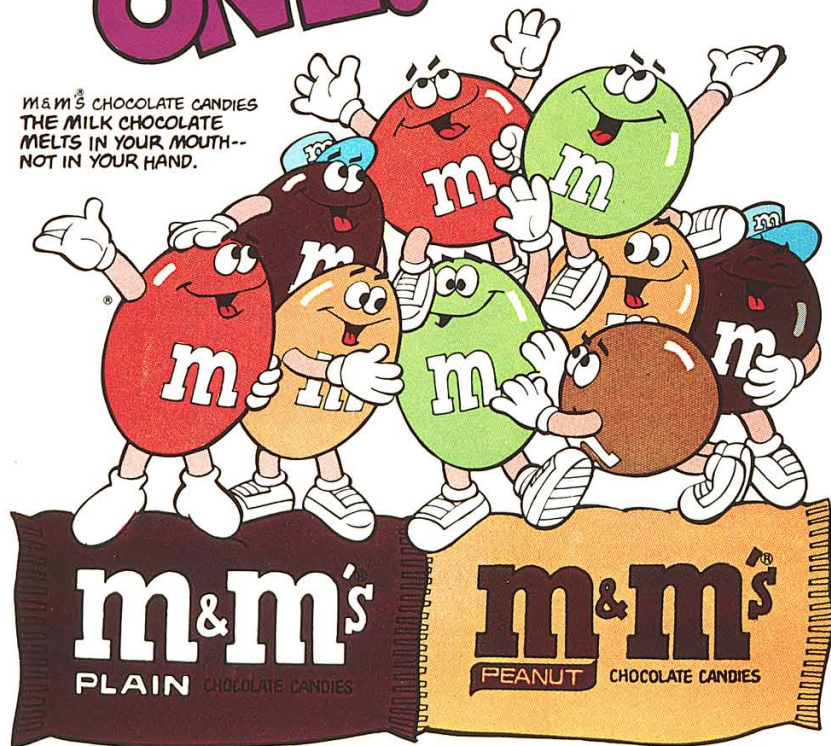
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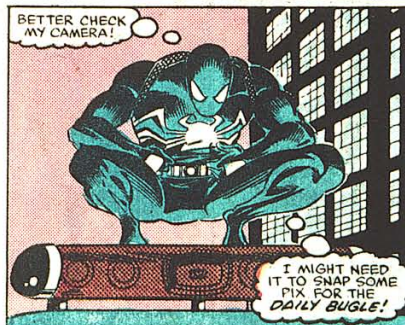
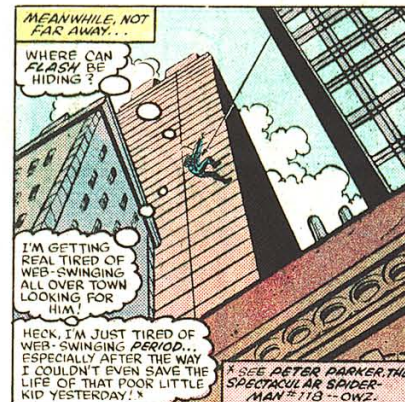
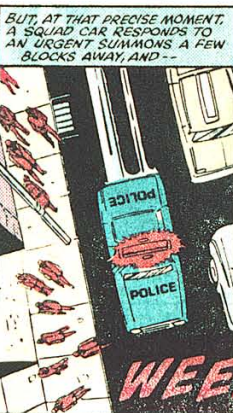
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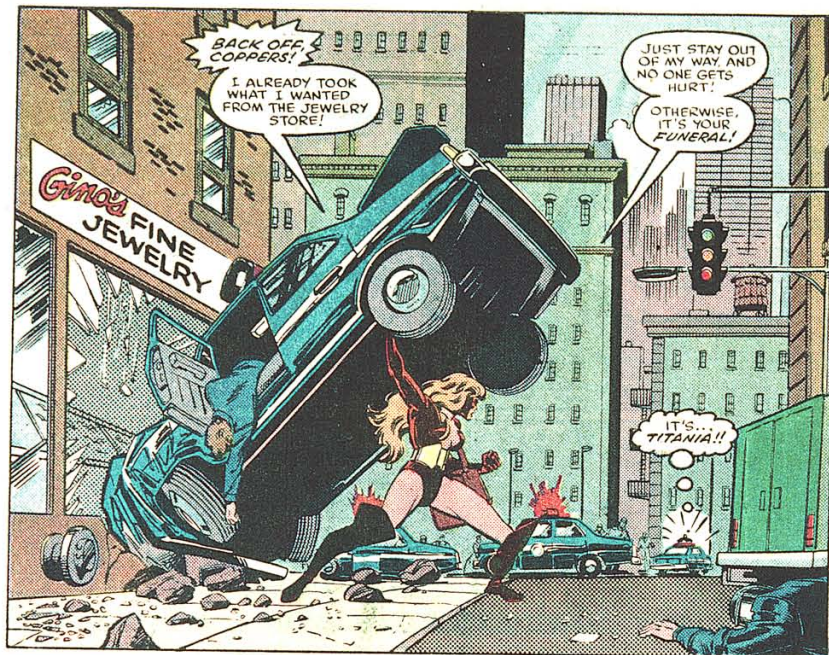


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I NEVER WANTED TO RUN INTO HER AGAIN!
I STILL GET QUEASY WHENEVER I REMEMBER HOW SHE ALMOST POUNDED THE SHE-HULK TO DEATH WITH HER BARE HANDS!



I MANAGED TO BEAT HER THE LAST TIME WE FOUGHT, BUT I ALWAYS CHALKED THAT UP TO DUMB LUCK!*

*AS SHOWN IN THE VERY FIRST SECRET WARS LIMITED SERIES--OWZ.

I DON'T WANT TO MIX IT UP WITH A LIVING POWER-HOUSE LIKE HER--NOT NOW--OR EVER AGAIN!

THIS /ISN'T MY FIGHT! I'M ONLY INTERESTED IN FINDING FLASH THOMPSON, AND TRASHING MY WEBS!



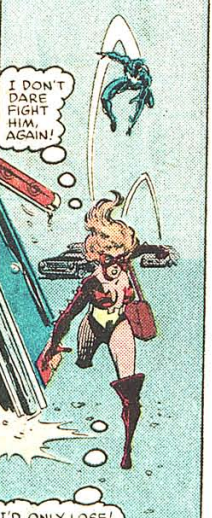
AW, WHO AM I TRYING TO KID? I CAN'T LEAVE NOW!

OHMIGOSH! THAT FIGURE LEAPING TOWARD ME SPIDER-MAN!

HE'S THE ONLY ONE WHO EVER MANAGED TO FLATTEN ME!



I DON'T DARE FIGHT HIM, AGAIN!



I'D ONLY LOSE!

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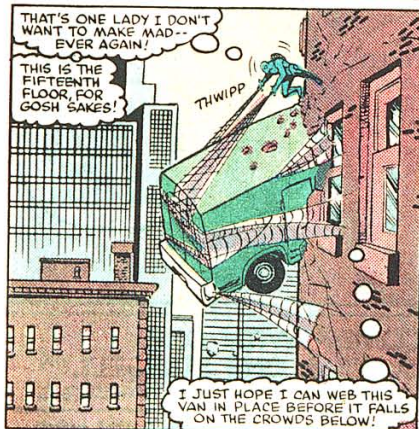
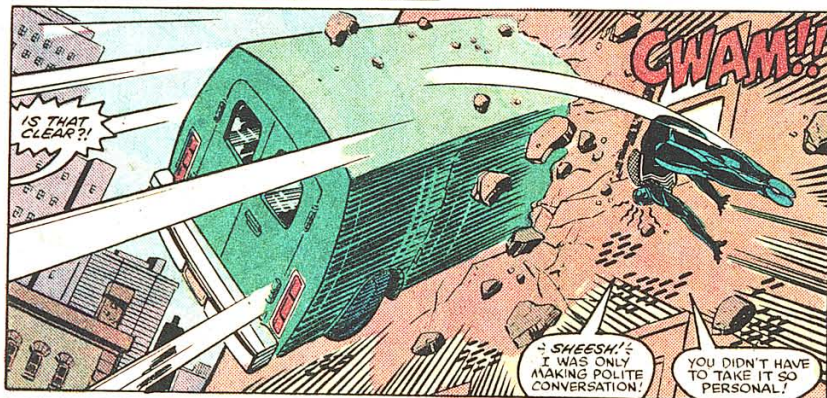
BLEEP-BLEEP

BETRAYED BY A COMPUTER SCANNED INFRA-RED BEAM AND OSCILLATING LED READ-OUT.

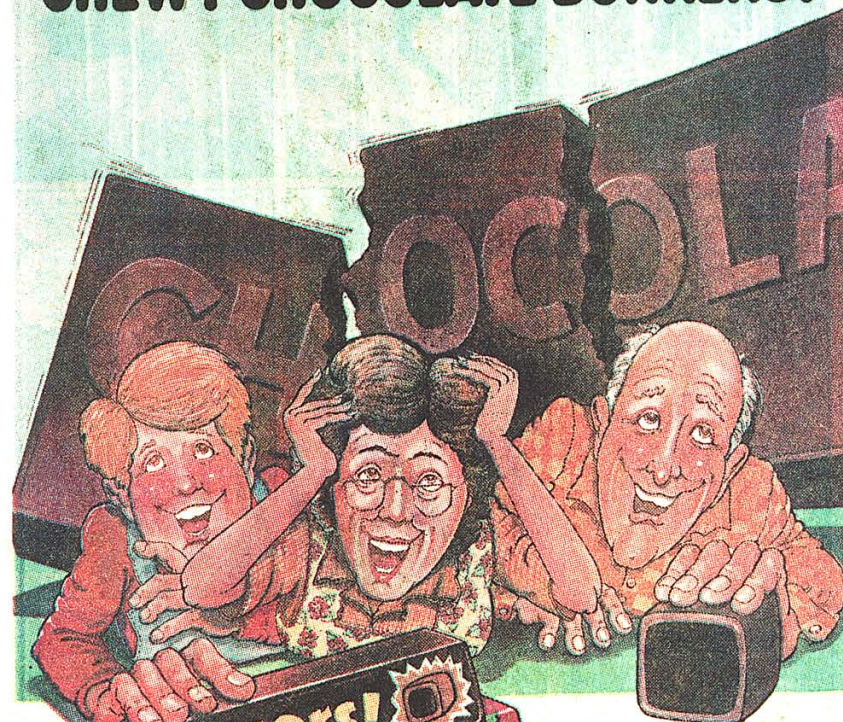
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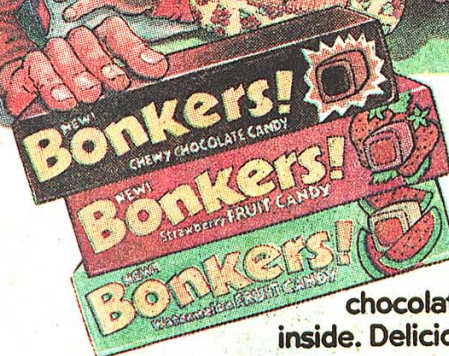
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AND SO, MOMENTS LATER...

THESE PICTURES I SNAPPED OF THE VAN OUGHT TO BRING A NICE SMILE TO MY CITY EDITOR'S LIPS...

AND A LARGE PAYCHECK TO ME!



TITANIA MANAGED TO SLIP AWAY IN ALL THE CONFUSION...



...BUT, SOMEHOW, I DON'T THINK I'M GOING TO HAVE A MAJOR PROBLEM FOLLOWING HER!



JUST THEN, A FEW BLOCKS AWAY...

NO ONE CAN SEE ME BACK HERE!

I WON'T GET A BETTER OPPORTUNITY TO SLIP MY GUVVIES OUT OF MY SHOULDER BAG-- AND OVER MY COSTUME!



BARELY A MINUTE LATER...

THOSE POOR DUMB COPS!

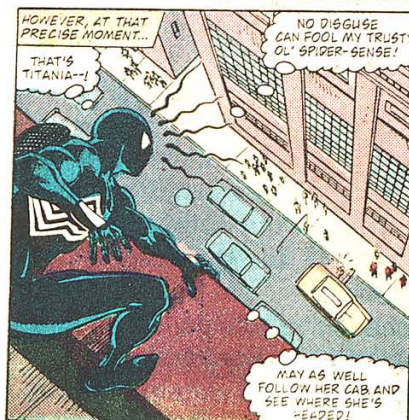
WEE!



THEY'RE KNOCKING THEMSELVES OUT, LOOKING FOR A SIX AND HALF FOOT TALL BLONDE!

BUT, WITH THIS BULKY JACKET AND CAP, I CAN EASILY PASS FOR A MAN... IF NO ONE LOOKS TOO CLOSELY!

TAXI--!

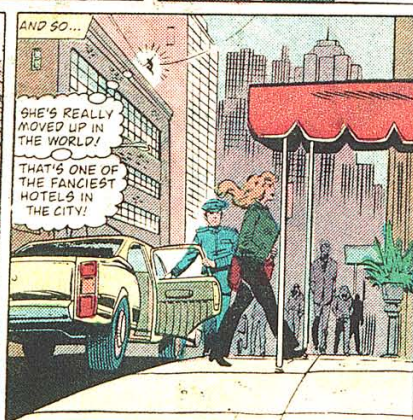


HOWEVER, AT THAT PRECISE MOMENT...

THAT'S TITANIA--!

NO DISGUISE CAN FOOL MY TRUSTY OL' SPIDER-SENSE!

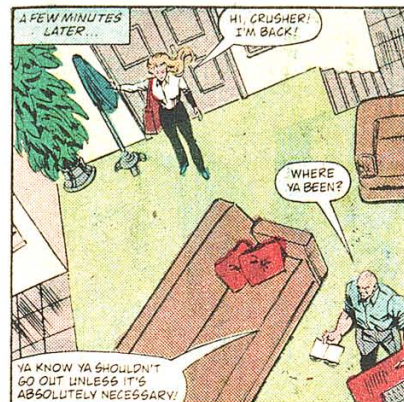
MAY AS WELL FOLLOW HER CAB AND SEE WHERE SHE'S HEADED!



AND SO...

SHE'S REALLY MOVED UP IN THE WORLD!

THAT'S ONE OF THE FANCIEST HOTELS IN THE CITY!

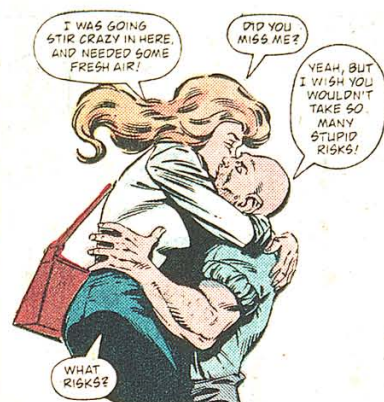


A FEW MINUTES LATER...

HI, CRUSHER! I'M BACK!

WHERE YA BEEN?

YA KNOW YA SHOULDN'T GO OUT UNLESS IT'S ABSOLUTELY NECESSARY!

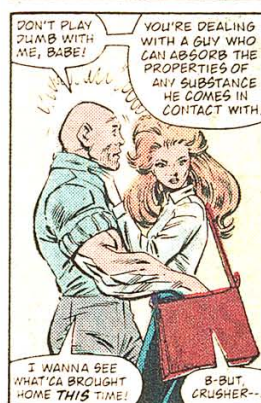


I WAS GOING STR CRAZY IN HERE, AND NEEDED SOME FRESH AIR!

DID YOU MISS ME?

YEAH, BUT I WISH YOU WOULDN'T TAKE SO MANY STUPID RISKS!

WHAT RISKS?



DON'T PLAY DUMB WITH ME, BABE!

YOU'RE DEALING WITH A GUY WHO CAN ABSORB THE PROPERTIES OF ANY SUBSTANCE HE COMES IN CONTACT WITH!

I WANNA SEE WHAT YA BROUGHT HOME THIS TIME!

B-BUT, CRUSHER--!



DIAMONDS!! YA KNOCKED OVER ANOTHER JEWELRY STORE!

TAKE IT EASY, CRUSHER! IT WENT OFF WITHOUT A HITCH!

THAT AIN'T THE POINT, DOLL...



WE AIN'T ON OUR OWN ANYMORE! WE'RE WORKING FOR THE MASTERS OF EVIL NOW! *

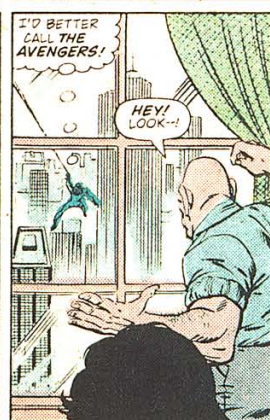
MY SPIDER-SENSE IS TINGLING, WARNING ME OF DANGER! I MUST BE APPROACHING TITANIA'S ROOM!

*SEE RECENT ISSUES OF THE AVENGERS FOR THE FULL STORY--OWZ!



YA GOTTA USE YER BRAINS! A TWO-BT HEIGHT LIKE THIS COULDA REALLY SCREWED UP OUR BIG JOB AT LA GUARDIA AIRPORT TONIGHT!

THE ABSORBING MAN IS WITH TITANIA!



I'D BETTER CALL THE AVENGERS!

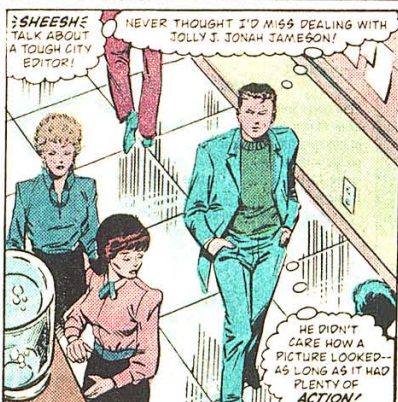
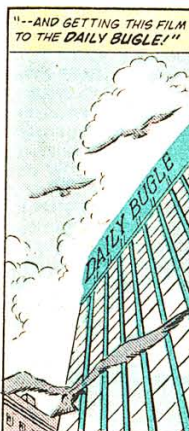
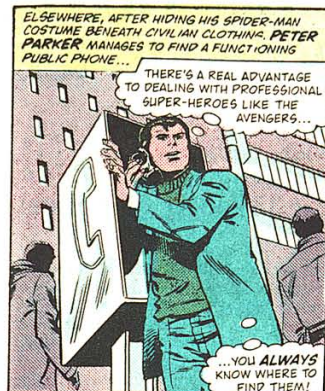
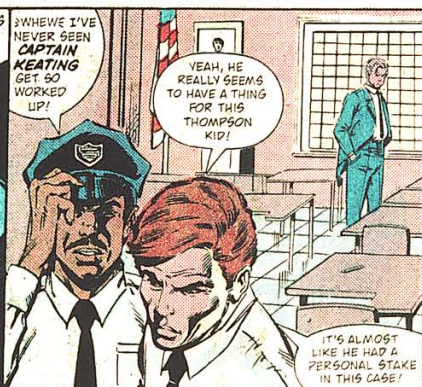
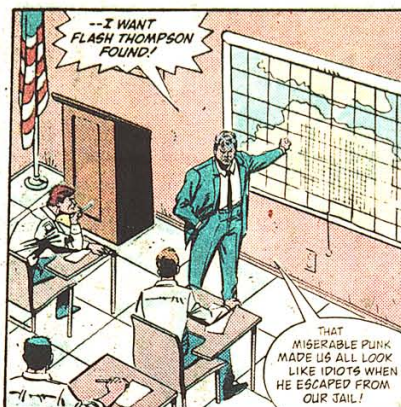
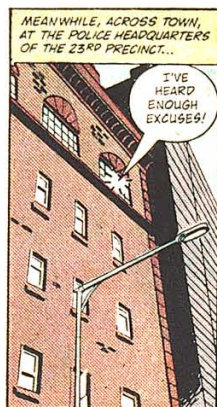
HEY! LOOK--!



I WONDER WHAT SPIDER-MAN WAS DOING IN THIS NEIGHBORHOOD?

ER... CRUSHER?

WE HAVE TO TALK



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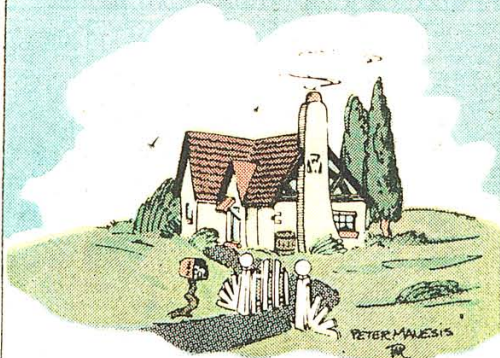
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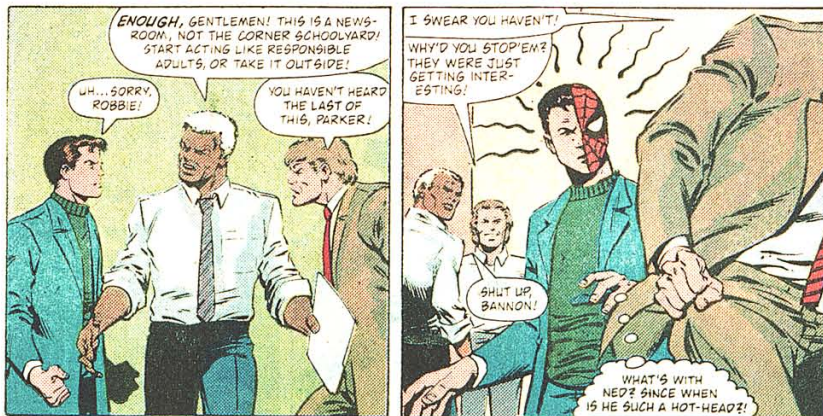
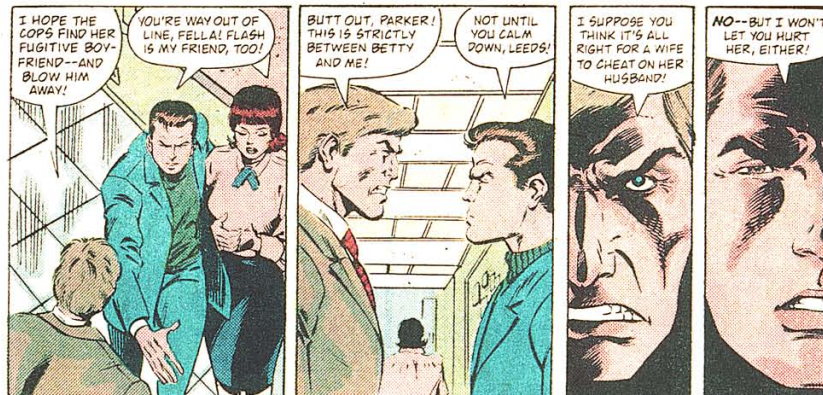
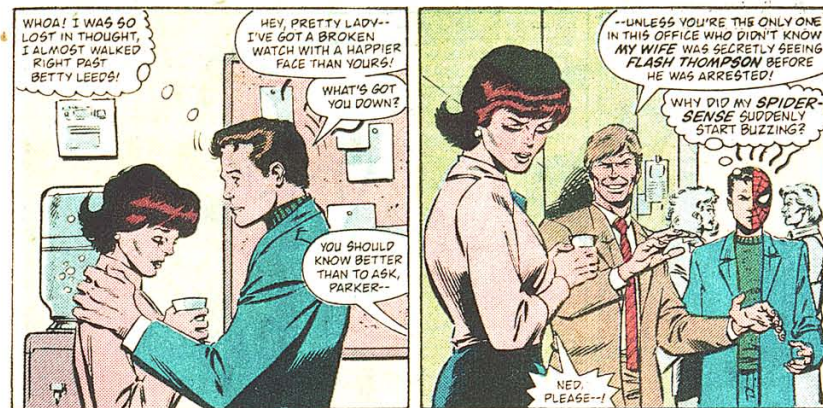
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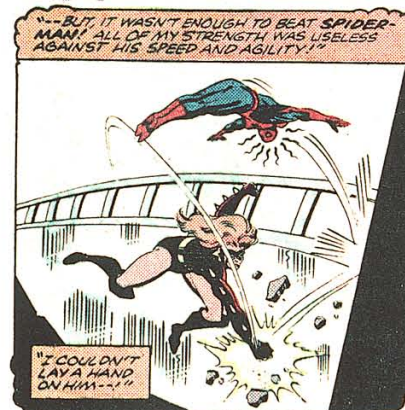
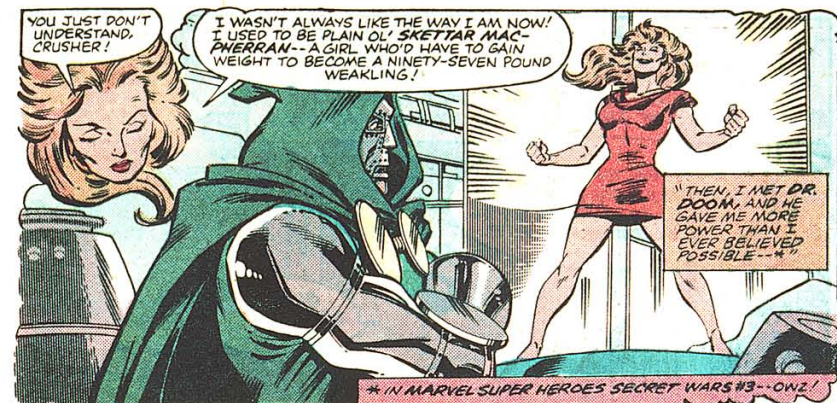
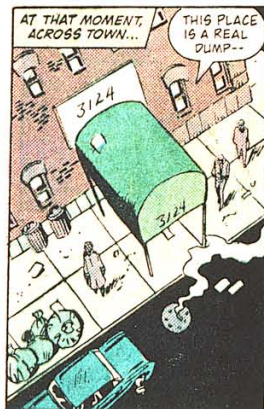
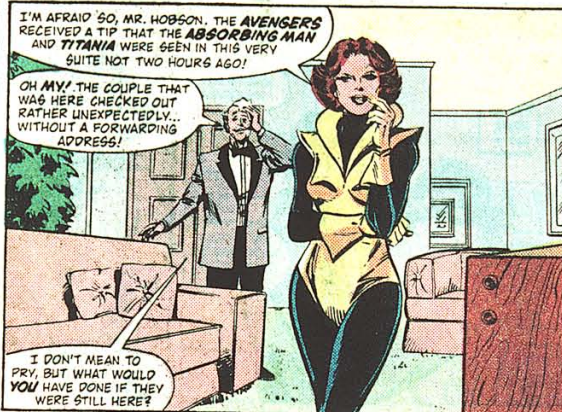
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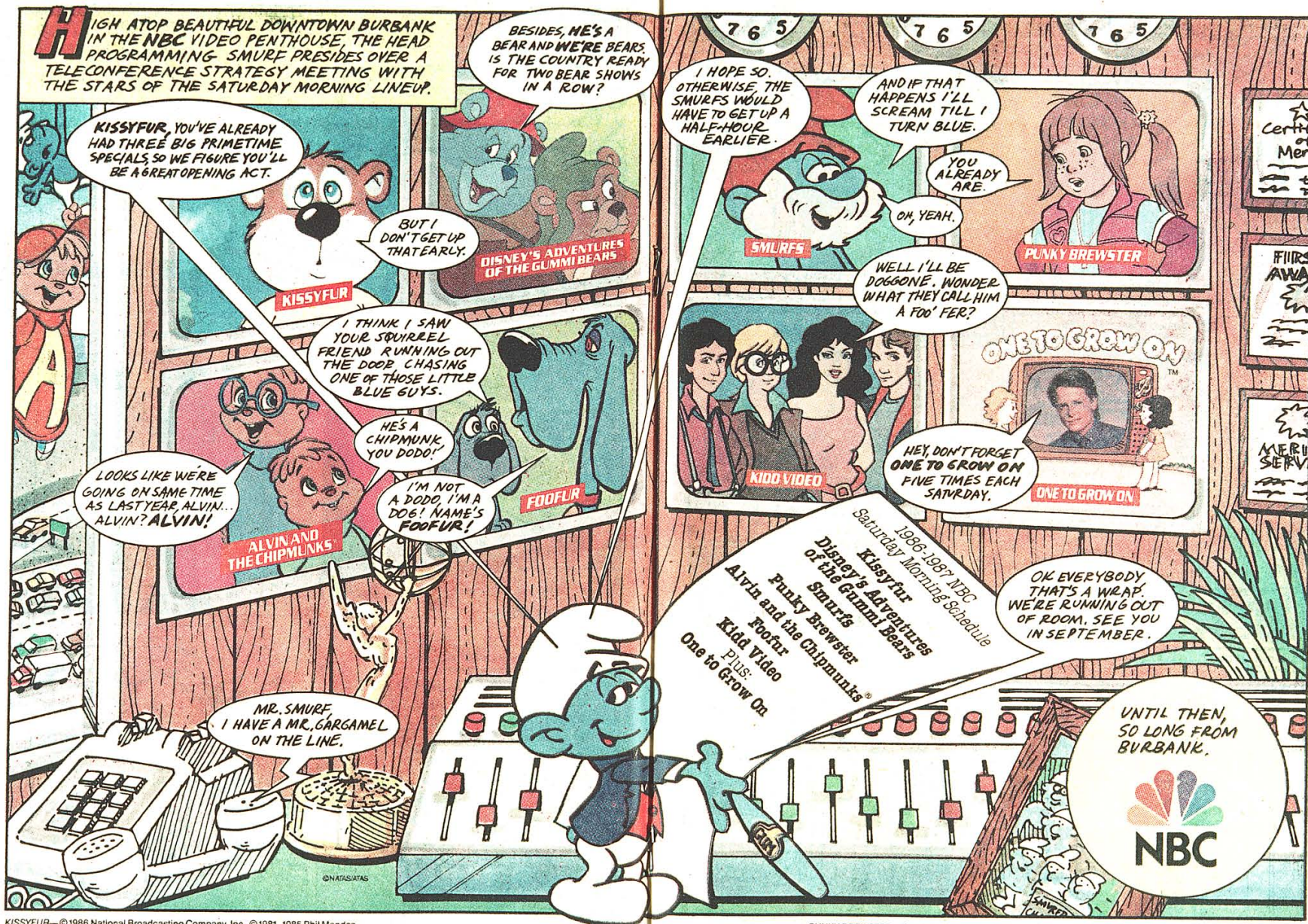
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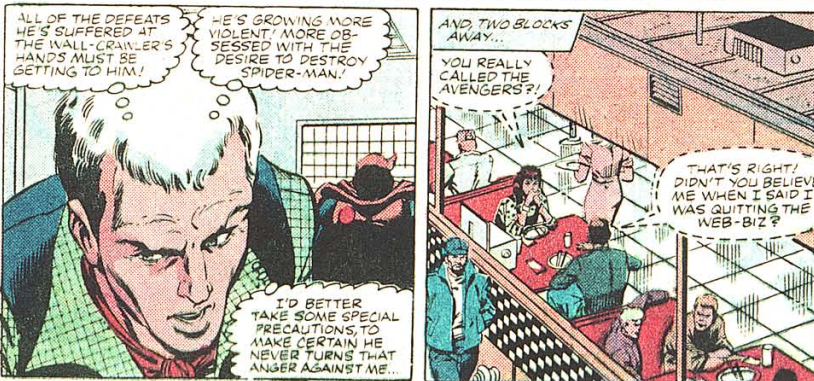
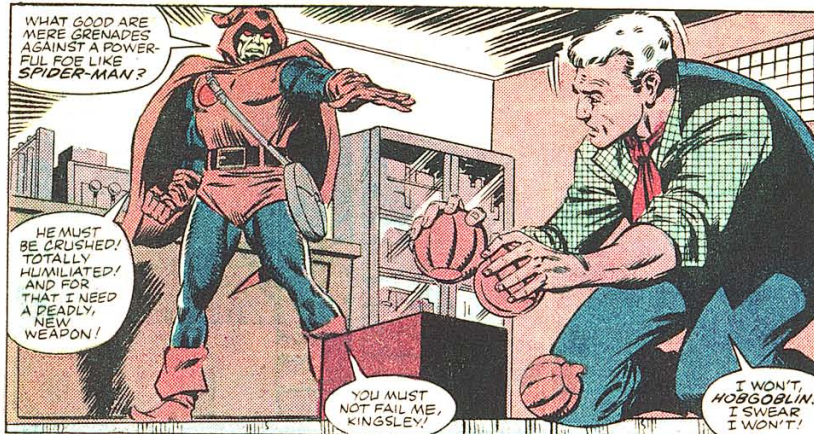
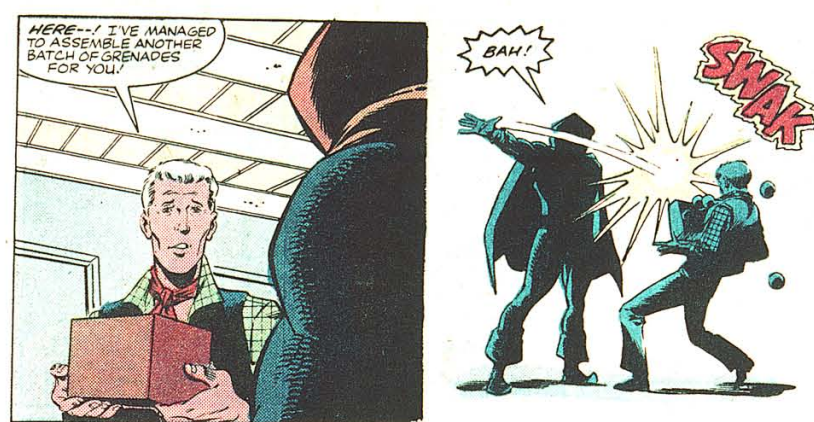
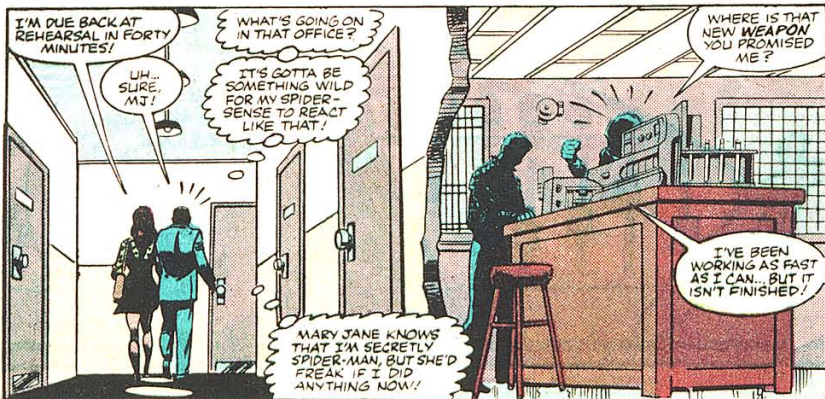
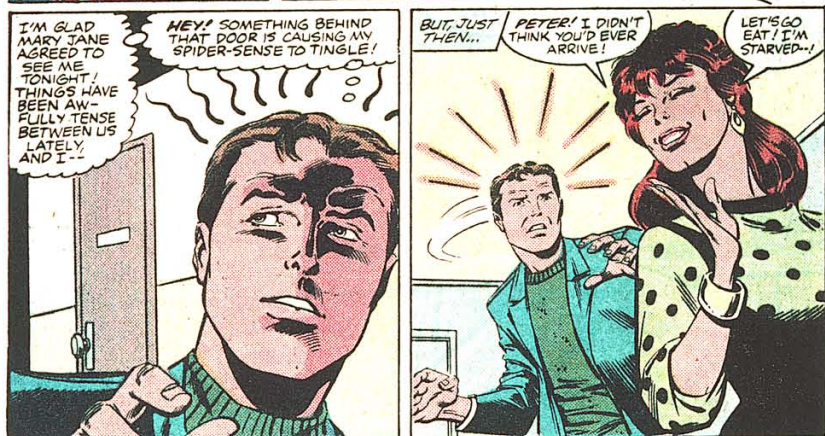
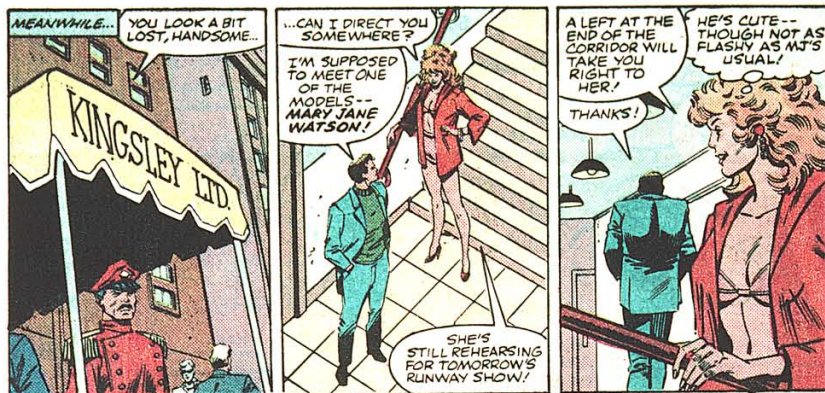
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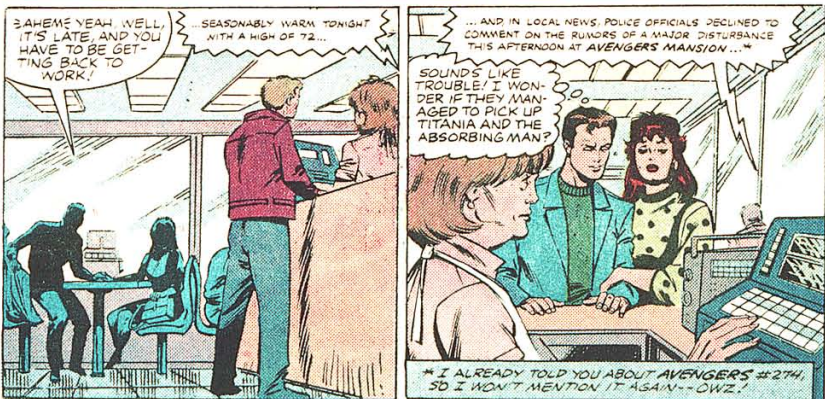
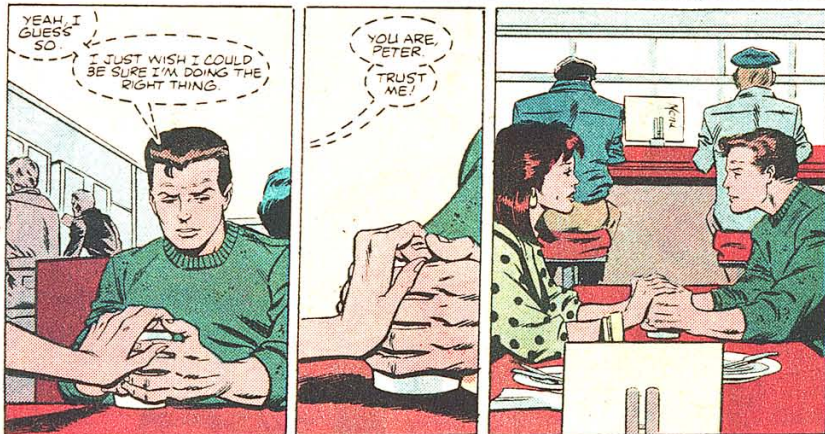
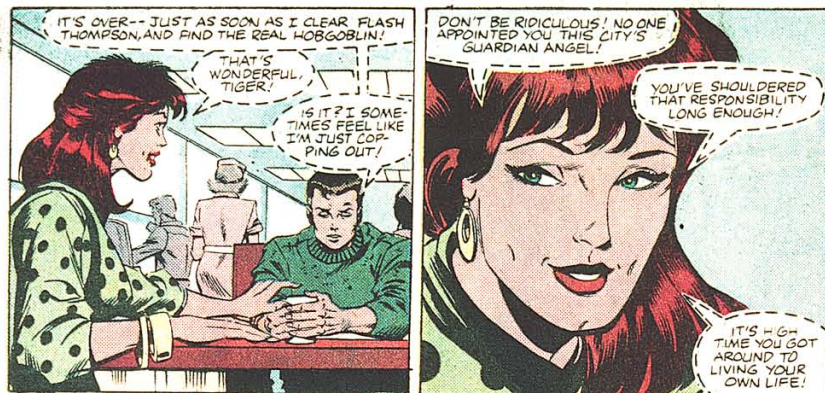


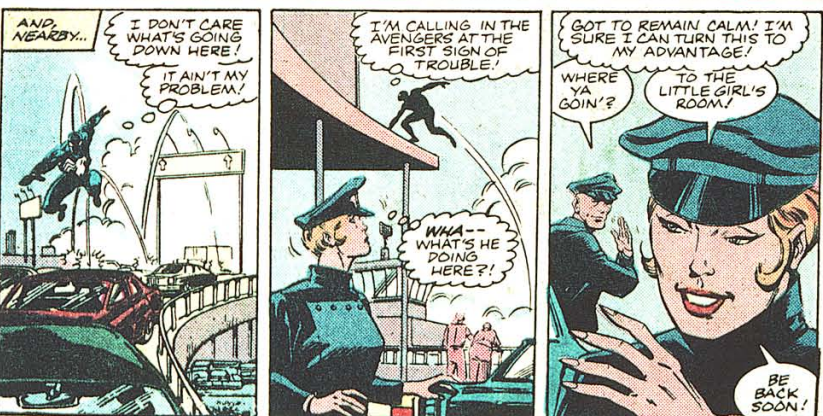
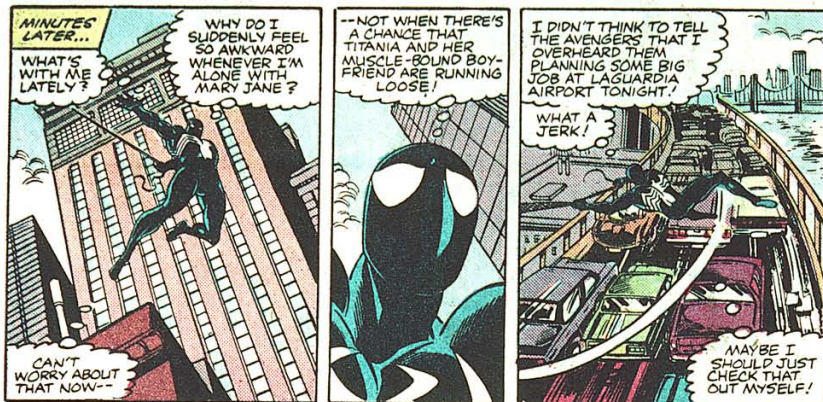


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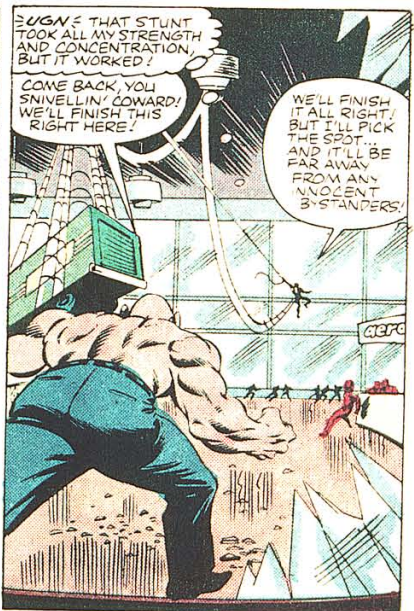
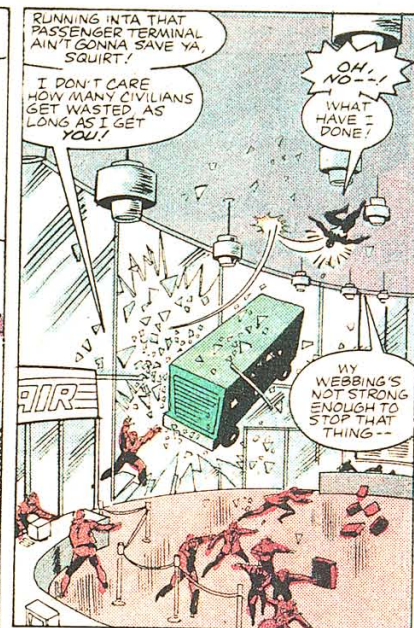
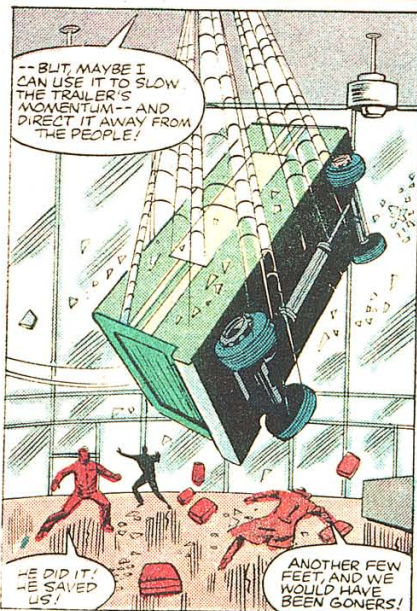
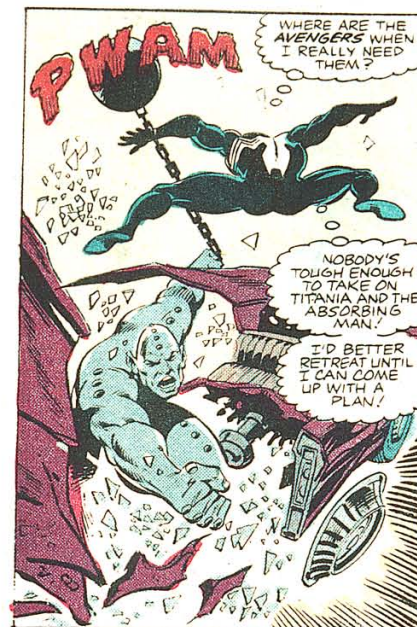
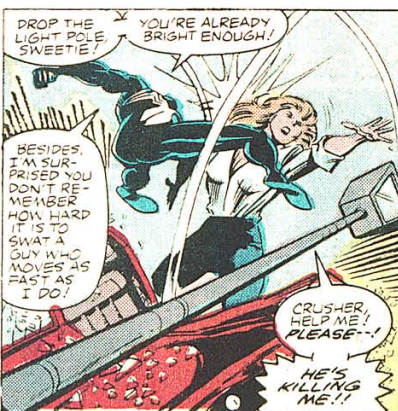
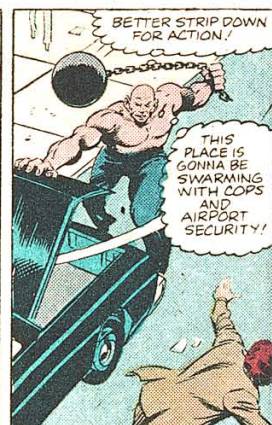
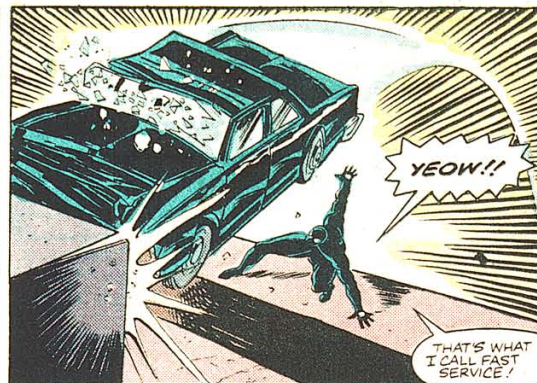
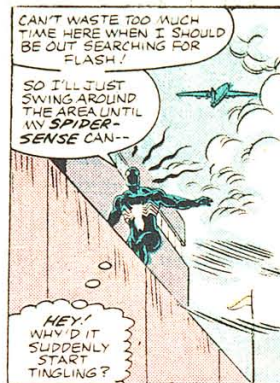
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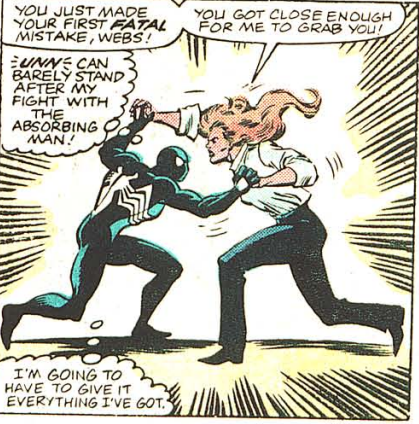
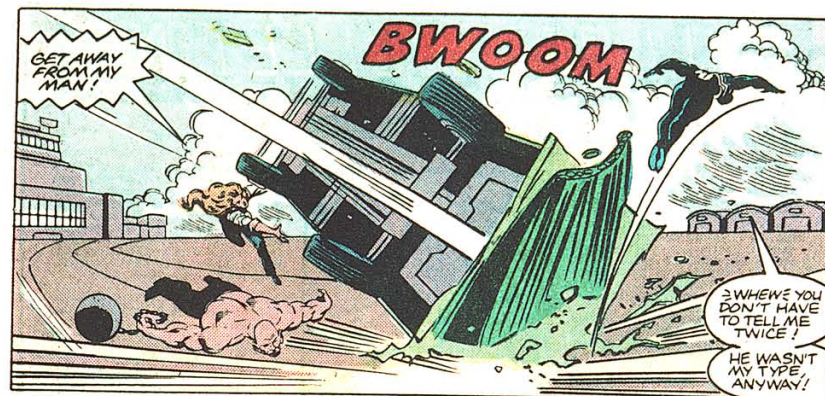
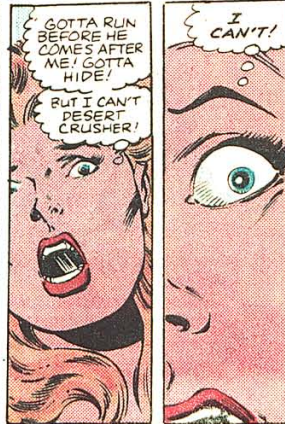
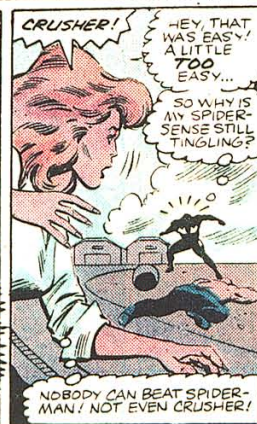
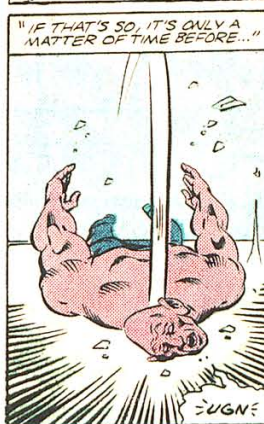
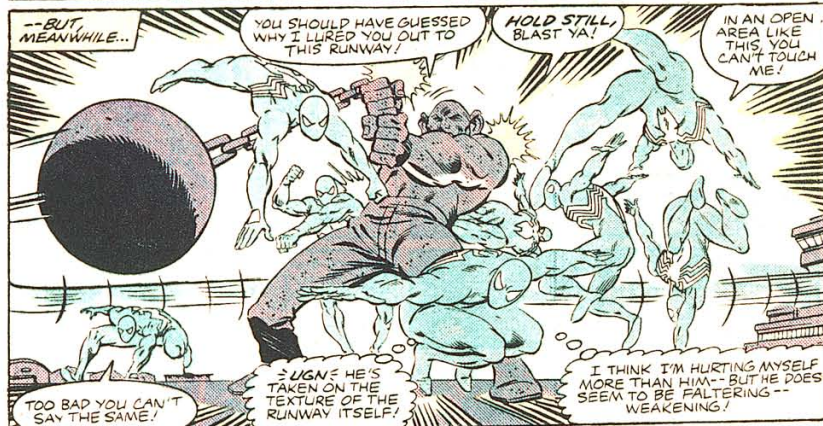
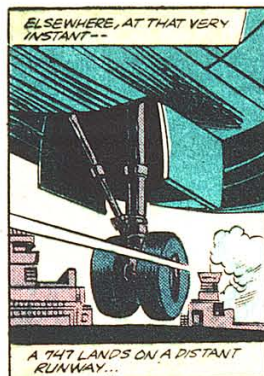
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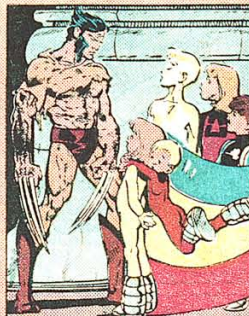
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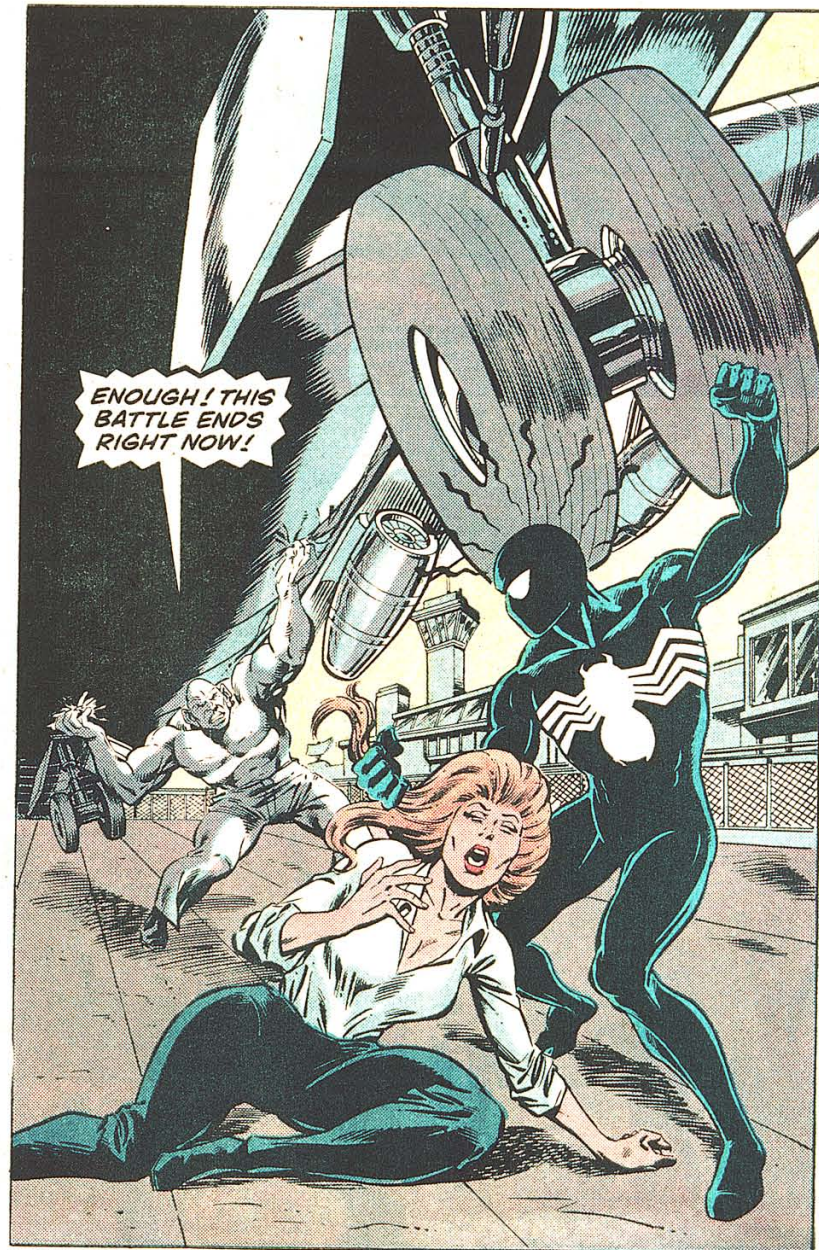
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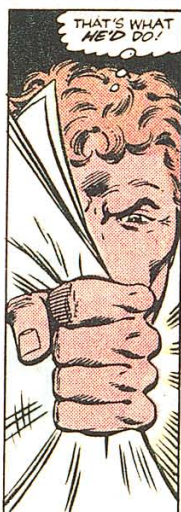
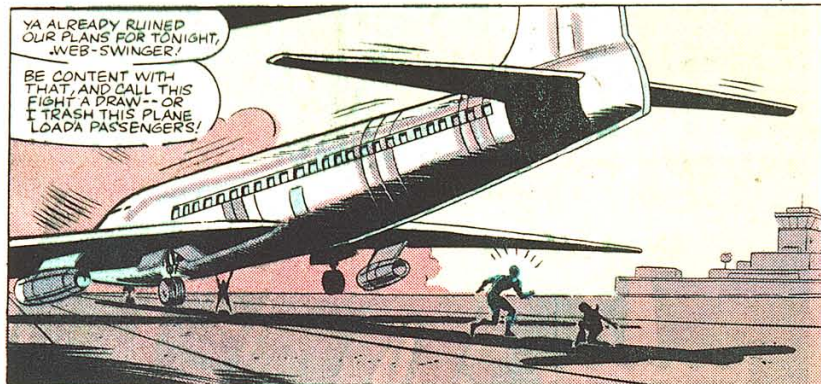
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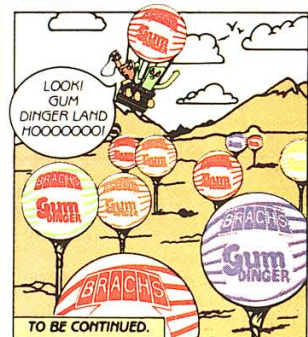
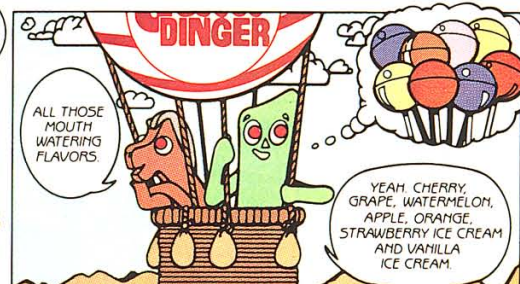
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